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In re Application of: MUKAIDA, *et al.*

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For: Polypeptide Specific to Liver Cancer,  
Polynucleotide Coding for the Polypeptide, and  
RNA Molecule Inhibiting Expression of the  
Polypeptide

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Patent Application**

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Sir:

Prior to taking up this new patent application for action on the merits, please  
amend the application as follows.